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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Friedhelm Bierwirth
Serial No: ----
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For: EARTHQUAKE PROTECTION CONSISTING OF VIBRATION-
ISOLATED MOUNTING OF BUILDINGS AND OBJECTS USING
VIRTUAL PENDULUMS WITH LONG CYCLES

Examiner: ----

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF
DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the
Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the entry of the
National Stage, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491, in an International application.

No fee or certification is required.

PART II - Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the
information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the
references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The following are remarks concerning the other information cited:

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PART III: Remarks

A copy of each of the above-identified information is enclosed unless otherwise indicated on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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